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SUBJECT: WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE

REF: STATE 237804

1. ON OCTOBER 31 EMBASSY OFFICER FULLY BRIEFED MFA OFFICIAL, AND LEFT AIDE MEMOIRE, ON CONTENTS REFTEL. MFA OFFICIAL PROMISED MEET WITH GON DELEGATION, SCHEDULED DEPART FOR WFC FOLLOWING DAY TO INFORM THEM OF USG POSITION. MFA OFFICIAL INDICATED HE WOULD RELAY GON POSITION TO EMBASSY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

2. GON DELEGATION TO WFC AS FOLLOWS:

HEAD OF DELEGATION - LAL BAHADUR KHADAYAT, MINISTER OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION.

MEMBERS OF DELEGATION

DIRGHA RAJ KOIRALA - CHAIRMAN AND GENERAL MANAGER, AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT BANK.

DR BHARAT PRASAD DHITAL - JOINT SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION

PRAYAG DUTT TILWARI, REGIONAL OFFICER, FAO
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3. MINISTER KHADAYAT WAS BORN IN 1941 IN DADEL DHURA DISTRICT. PARENTS WERE PEASANT FARMERS. HE WAS ELECTED TO NEPALI NATIONAL PANCHAYAT IN 1968 TO REPRESENT PEASANT ORGANIZATION. SINCE THEN HE HAS SERVED AS MINISTER OF STATE FOR LAND REFORM, FOOD AND AGRICULTURE, AND AS MINISTER FOR LAW AND JUSTICE, BEFORE ASSUMING PRESENT PORTFOLIO. HE HAS REPRESENTED NEPAL IN OTHER INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES, MOST RECENT BEING 15TH CONFERENCE OF AFRO-ASIAN LEGAL CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE IN TOKYO.

4. DIRGHA RAJ KOIRALA WAS BORN 1920 TO BRAHMIN CASTE. HE IS VEGETARIAN. KOIRALA HAS SPENT TIME IN U.S. UNDER AID AUSPICES. PREVIOUS SERVICE HAS BEEN IN MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, AND AS GENERAL MANAGER OF CHINESE-BUILT SHOE AND LEATHER FACTORY. HE IS WELL KNOWN TO EMBASSY AND AID OFFICIALS WHO CONSIDER HIM INTELLIGENT AND ABLE.

5. B.P. DHITAL IS PRINCIPAL USAID CONTACT IN PLANNING DIVISION OF MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE. DHITAL HAS PHD FROM IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY IN AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS. HE IS ONE OF ABLEST OFFICIALS IN NEPALESE GOVERNMENT AND IS WELL DISPOSED TOWARDS U.S.

6. P.D. TILWARI SERVED AS GENERAL MANAGER OF NEPALI AGRICULTURAL MARKETING CORPORATION PRIOR TO APPOINTMENT AS NEPAL'S REGIONAL OFFICER TO FAO. EMBASSY UNABLE PROVIDE ADDITIONAL BIO-DATA.
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